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**DECISION of the EC – SWITZERLAND JOINT COMMITTEE**

**replacing Tables III and IV b) of Protocol No 2**

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THE JOINT COMMITTEE,

Having regard to the Agreement between the European Economic Community, of the one part, and the Swiss Confederation, of the other part signed in Brussels on 22 July 1972, hereinafter referred to as ‘the Agreement’, as amended by the Agreement between the European Community and the Swiss Confederation amending the Agreement as regards the provisions applicable to processed agricultural products signed in Luxembourg on 26 October 2004, and its Protocol No 2, and in particular Article 7 thereof<sup>1</sup>;

Whereas:

- (1) For the implementation of Protocol N°2 to the Agreement, internal reference prices are fixed for the Contracting Parties by the Joint Committee;
- (2) Actual prices have changed on the domestic markets of the Contracting Parties as regards raw materials for which price compensation measures are applied;
- (3) It is therefore necessary to update the reference prices and amounts listed in Tables III and IV b) to Protocol No 2 accordingly;
- (4) This Decision should enter into force on the date when the provisional application of the amending Agreement signed on 26 October 2004 becomes effective, i. e. the first day of the fourth month following the date of the signature, provided that the implementing measures as defined in Article 5(4) of Protocol N° 2 are adopted at the same date.

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

*Article 1*

Table III and the table under Table IV point b) of Protocol No 2 are replaced by the tables in Annex I and Annex II to this Decision.

*Article 2*

This decision shall enter into force on 1 February 2005.

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<sup>1</sup> OJ L 300, 31.12.1972, p. 189

Done at Brussels,

*For the Joint Committee  
The Chairman*

## ANNEXE I

**Table III**

### **EC and Swiss domestic reference prices**

| <b>Agricultural raw material</b> | <b>Swiss domestic reference price<br/>CHF per<br/>100 kg net</b> | <b>EC domestic reference price<br/>CHF per<br/>100 kg net</b> | <b>Difference Swiss /<br/>EC reference price<br/>CHF per<br/>100 kg net</b> |
|----------------------------------|--|---|---|
| Common wheat                     | 58.34  | 16.10   | 42.24   |
| Durum wheat                      | 37.85  | 25.40   | 12.45   |
| Rye                              | 48.01  | 16.10   | 31.91   |
| Barley                           | 27.14  | 16.10   | 11.04   |
| Maize                            | 31.79  | 16.10   | 15.69   |
| Common wheat flour               | 103.38   | 37.20   | 66.18   |
| Whole-milk powder                | 590.00   | 395.00  | 195.00  |
| Skimmed-milk powder              | 468.60   | 333.00  | 135.60  |
| Butter                           | 917.00   | 468.00  | 449.00  |
| White sugar                      | –  | –   | 0.00  |
| Eggs <sup>(1)</sup>              | 255.00   | 205.50  | 49.50   |
| Fresh potatoes                   | 42.00  | 21.00   | 21.00   |
| Vegetable fat <sup>(2)</sup>     | 390.00   | 160.00  | 230.00  |

<sup>(1)</sup> Derived from the prices for liquid birds' eggs, not in shell multiplied with factor 0.85.

<sup>(2)</sup> Prices for vegetable fats (for the baking and food industry) with 100% fat content.

## Annex II

### Table IV

b) The basic amounts for agricultural raw materials taken into account for the calculation of the agricultural components:

| <b>Agricultural raw material</b> | <b>Applied basic amount as from the entry into force</b> | <b>Applied basic amount as from three years after the entry into force</b> |
|----------------------------------|--|--|
|                                  | <b>CHF per 100 kg net</b>                                | <b>CHF per 100 kg net</b>  |
| Common wheat                     | 38.00  | 36.00  |
| Durum wheat                      | 11.00  | 10.00  |
| Rye                              | 29.00  | 27.00  |
| Barley                           | 10.00  | 9.00   |
| Maize                            | 14.00  | 13.00  |
| Common wheat flour               | 57.00  | 54.00  |
| Whole-milk powder                | 176.00   | 166.00   |
| Skimmed-milk powder              | 122.00   | 115.00   |
| Butter                           | 449.00 <sup>(1)</sup>                                    | 449.00 <sup>(1)</sup>  |
| White sugar                      | Zero   | Zero   |
| Eggs                             | 36.00  | 36.00  |
| Fresh potatoes                   | 19.00  | 18.00  |
| Vegetable fat                    | 207.00   | 196.00   |

<sup>(1)</sup> Taking into account benefits from the aid for butter granted under Commission Regulation (EC) No 2571/97 of 15 December 1997, the applied basic amount of butter is not reduced compared to the price difference in Table III.